

27/ (Amended) A self-occluding catheter comprising:

a body portion having an inlet port having an inlet conduit extending therefrom, an outlet port having an outlet conduit extending therefrom and a transverse bore in fluid communication with said inlet conduit and said outlet conduit;

an occluding device movably supported within said transverse bore of said body portion for movement between a closed position occluding said inlet and outlet conduits, and an open position opening said inlet and outlet conduits; and

a biasing device for resiliently maintaining said occluding device in said closed position;

said occluding device being movable from said closed position to said open position against said resilient bias upon pressure applied by a fluid passed between said inlet and outlet conduits.

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